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In re the Application of :

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METHOD FOR MAKING :

MECHANICAL PARTS BY

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 21, 2003, applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). The appropriate fee required for this by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2) (\$210.00) is enclosed. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 03-2405.

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Because applicant is filing a continuation application in further response to the Office Action of November 21, 2003, no other response is being submitted herewith, as permitted under the provisions of Section 710.02(e) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure.

Respectfully submitted,

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